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# Georgia Southern Nursing Students Study Abroad in Costa Rica

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A group of 19 future nurses has returned home to Georgia after a two-week trip in June to Costa Rica as part of Georgia Southern University’s annual Nursing Study Abroad program.



Professor of Nursing Marian Tabi, Ph.D. led the group of 13 University students and six high school students who offered their services at four nursing homes for the elderly, primarily in the capital city of San Jose. “It was a fabulous experience,” she says. “It was hands-on practicum for pre-nursing and nursing students. They get to really work with underserved communities and to provide health screening, glucose checks and podiatry care,” Tabi continued. “It’s just unique in the sense that even though the patients do not necessarily speak English and our students do not necessarily speak Spanish, the patients really appreciate the services they receive because love and care are universal and actions speak louder than words.”

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